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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:	)	Examiner: Burgess, Barbaran
Dongyan Wang	)	
	)	Group Art Unit: 2157
For: Device Communication and Control In A	)	
Home Network Connected to An External	)	
Network	)	
	)	<b>Reply to Office Action</b>
Application No.: 09/633,289	)	<b>Dated September 22, 2004</b>
	)	
Filed: August 4, 2000	)	
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**REPLY**

Commissioner of Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir/Madam:

Applicant hereby responds to the Office Action dated September 22, 2004 in the above-referenced patent application. Reconsideration and allowance of the patent application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

**The Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 16 of this paper.